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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 1029-0098

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection request for the Petition process for designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations, has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost. This information collection activity was previously approved by OMB and assigned clearance number 1029-0098.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [insert date 30 days from date of publication in the Federal Register], to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Department of the Interior Desk Officer, via e-mail at OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov, or by facsimile to (202) 395-5806. Also, please send a copy of your comments to John Trelease, Office of

Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave, NW, Room 203
- SIB, Washington, DC 20240, or electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov. Please
reference 1029-0098 in your correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection
request contact John Trelease at (202) 208-2783, or electronically at
jtrelease@osmre.gov. You may also review this information collection request on
the Internet by going to <http://www.reginfo.gov> (Information Collection Review,
Currently Under Review, Agency is Department of the Interior, DOI-OSMRE).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement
provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that
interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to
comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR
1320.8(d)]. OSM has submitted a request to OMB to renew its approval for the
collection of information found at 30 CFR Part 769 - Petition process for
designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface
coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations. OSM is
requesting a 3-year term of approval for this collection. This collection is
required to obtain or retain a benefit.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond
to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control
number. The OMB control number for this collection of information is 1029-0098.

As required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), a Federal Register notice soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 17, 2012 (77 FR 49827). No comments were received. This notice provides the public with an additional 30 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity:

Title: 30 CFR Part 769 - Petition process for designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations.

OMB Control Number: 1029-0098.

Summary: This part establishes the minimum procedures and standards for designating Federal lands unsuitable for certain types of surface mining operations and for terminating designations pursuant to a petition. The information requested will aid the regulatory authority in the decision making process to approve or disapprove a request.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: Once.

Description of Respondents: People who may be adversely affected by surface mining on Federal lands.

Total Annual Responses: 1.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,000.

Send comments on the need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information, to the offices listed in the ADDRESSES section. Please refer to the appropriate OMB control number in all correspondence.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment-including your personal identifying information-may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

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